

City Reports



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PETE BUTTIGIEG, MAYOR

Dear Employees,

With only a couple weeks left in the summer, the children of South Bend are preparing for another school year. As our students gear up for classes, sports, activities, and friends, we must do our part to ensure that we kick the academic year off to a safe and supportive start.

The city's school buses will be out in full force once the South Bend Public School Corporation begins class on August 22, so be sure to drive carefully and observe all traffic laws. There will also be a number of freshly-minted new drivers returning to our local high schools, so please exercise caution and patience while welcoming these new commuters to the roads.

As a parent, keep an eye out for back to school sales in local businesses and after-school programs provided by the school district. There are activities ranging from interest clubs to tutoring programs and from sports to parent groups. Please take advantage of these programs and explore the opportunities to take supporting roles in these activities – the school will be very grateful for your involvement. Be sure to check your school website and newsletter for events and updates.

As a member of the community, there are many things that you can do to support your local school. Check with the school for volunteer opportunities in after-school programs or during the school day such as a teacher's aid or school crossing guard. Donate school supplies to local organizations or organize carpools for students in your neighborhood.

There are also a number of opportunities to directly connect with students by joining a local mentoring program. The South Bend Community School Corporation and a group of citizens started the "Dream Team" mentoring program and have been positively impacting students' lives since 1994. Contact Philip Washington at 283-8072 or pwashington@sbcsc.k12.in.us to register your child in the program or to sign up as a mentor. The Boys and Girls Club of St. Joseph County also has a wonderful "4Kids" program which is looking for volunteers to tutor and mentor students in the community. Find more information at www.bgcsc.org.

Whether you are a parent, neighbor, or friend, I encourage you to get as involved as you can in a child's education, as your involvement can be one of the most valuable impacts on their future academic success. The more we can show our city's students how much we support and value them, the better. Education is one of the most vitally important parts of our community, so if you have questions or concerns at any time, please call my office at 235-9261.

Sincerely,

Mayor Pete



Downtown South Bend

8/3 First Fridays: Dog Days of Summer: Celebrate the dog days of summer! The entire family, Fido included, is invited to participate in all the fun.* Dine al fresco with your pooch and participate in the agility course, games, demonstrations, fashion show and more! See all the activities at: www.dtsbfirstfridays.com/events.htm

*All dogs must be on a leash. Please clean up any messes your furry family member may make.



8/25 - Art Beat, 11am to 6pm - Food, entertainment, artists, a very exciting day in downtown South Bend. Check out all the activities and map at: www.ArtBeatSouthBend.org Volunteers are needed.

Employees' Corner

Administration and Finance

Our very best wishes for happy retirements go to **Peggy Wright** and **Phil Custard**. How we will live without their expertise we are not sure, but those who come after them will appreciate all their fine work. Peggy has been with the City 15 years, knows all there



is to know about Benefits, and has stayed a busy lady juggling everything to do with them. Phil came here from Robert Bosch Corporation in Albion and was able to take over Purchasing with great style and ability. We appreciate your expertise, Phil.

They both have plans for lots of family time with children and grandchildren and are looking forward to their new adventures.

A great time was had by all who came to wish them the best.

Community & Economic Development

Kudos to **Jeff Young** who took it upon himself to clean up the flower bed in front of the City's parking lot next to the Building Department. Water Works helped get the sprinklers working again, and Jeff repaired a sprinkler head, bought a couple of new ones, weeded the bed and put mulch down. Great job, Jeff! Jeff is busy taking care of many details around the City. We are glad to have him in our department. The ladies from Engineering will be planting flowers this fall.



Code Enforcement

Gary and Tracy Libbey's daughter Maggie competed at the St. Joseph County Fair with her horse, Lopin'. They won Grand Champion in the Championship English Pleasure, Champion in the following

categories: English Pleasure Open, English Pleasure Sr. Division and Trail Sr. Division. Congratulations, Maggie and Lopin'!

Central Services

We would like to express our sympathy to **Ron Taylor** and his wife on the loss of his brother Bobbie Taylor on June 25. Ron traveled to Florida where his brother lived and enjoyed visiting and seeing a lot of his family.

We would like to wish **Kevin Smith** a speedy recovery from an accident he had in July, hurry back to work, lots of cars waiting for you!!!

Morris Performing Arts Center

Dawn Cook, Morris House Manager and usher coordinator has been with the Morris since October 18, 1985 (27 years). Dawn works full time for the South Bend School Corporation and in her "spare" time works with nine Usher Captains to schedule nearly 200 volunteer ushers that work at all Morris events. The Morris has over 90 events per year and 30-40 volunteers working at each event. Scheduling volunteers can be a daunting task; station locations, crowd control, and handicap patron needs all have to be considered during an event. During each event Dawn is responsible for supervising all the volunteers working the event, helping with patron seating problems, and being an ambassador for the Morris. Dawn received the **"Faces of Tourism" Award** that was presented to her by Visit South Bend Mishawaka (formerly Convention & Visitors Bureau of South Bend/Mishawaka) at a reception that was held on Wednesday, June 20, at the Center for History museum gardens.

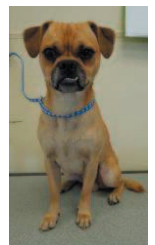


Adopt a Pet

Rex

Pug Mix, Small, Young Male, Pet ID A16728345

Hi, my name is Rex. I am an adorable little pug mix who is a little shy. I was found as a stray. My adoption fee includes heartworm test and my DAPPV2, coronavirus and bordetella vaccines as well as a microchip.



Simon, Siegfried and Snow

Domestic Short Hair, Medium, Baby Males, Pet ID: A16686570, 73 and 78.

Hi, we're Simon, Siegfried and Snow and arrived as strays. We are eager to find families to call our own, are up to date on our vaccines and have tested negative for FeLV/FIV.



Citywide Anniversaries

25 Years—1987

Patricia Fraser.....Police Dept
 Ian McQueen.....Police Dept
 Anne Schellinger.....Police Dept

20 Years—1992

David Beaty.....Police Dept
 Anthony Grundy.....Park Dept
 Laura Vance.....Water Works

15 Years—1997

John Bond.....Wastewater
 Jenny Hullinger.....Community & Econ Development
 Christopher Krueger.....Police Dept
 Judy Love.....Community & Econ Development
 John Nowak.....Park Dept

10 Years—2002

Michael Divita.....Community & Econ Development
 Carrie Green.....Police Communication
 Dana Hamilton.....Police Communication
 Jitin Kain.....Community & Econ Development
 Judy Molnar.....Water Works
 Ronald Vogler.....Morris Performing Arts
 Kelly Waite.....Police Dept

5 Years—2007

Kyle Briney.....Street Dept
 Robert Dombrowski.....Water Works
 Carol Kurzhal.....Environmental Services
 Brian Wood.....Water Works

A Little Name Dropping...

Welcome June 2012

Heather Frost.....Police Communications
 Greg Thompson.....Parks Department
 Edward Williams.....Code Enforcement
 Amanda Yasko.....Parks Department

Resignations June 2012

Angelica “Angel” Hoeffner Admin. & Finance (2 yrs 3 mos)
 Melinda Zakrzewski.....Water Works (21 yrs 0 mos)

Spicy Tomato Jam



3 cups ripe cherry tomatoes 4 tbsp. sugar
 4 tbsp. light brown sugar, packed 2 tbsp. grated fresh ginger
 1/2 lemon, sliced into thin half moons
 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon 1/2 tsp. ground cumin
 1/2 tsp. ground cloves 2 tbsp. cider vinegar
 Salt and cayenne pepper

Combine the tomatoes, sugars, ginger, lemon, spices, and 1 1/2 tablespoons of the vinegar in a medium-size, heavy-bottomed saucepan. Add a pinch of salt and a pinch of cayenne and cook over medium-high heat, stirring often, until the tomatoes cook down to a jam and the sugars are bubbly and caramelized, 15-20 minutes. Set aside to cool. Add the remaining 1/2 tablespoon vinegar to taste.

this is a WebMD Recipe from Foodily.com

I tried this recipe last year and it was great. I think I cut back on the ginger. I put it into jars and stored it in the freezer.
 Jenny Hullinger

Change of Pace June 2012

Scott Horvath.....Water Works from Special Projects Coordinator II to Assistant Director-Distribution
 Allan Krol.....Wastewater from Maintenance Manager to Operator/General
 Tony Nania.....Fire from Captain to Investigator
 Aaron Shipley.....Street/Traffic & Lighting from Signal Tech I to Signal Tech II
 Patricia Walters.....Water Works from Auditor I to Data Processor

Retirements June 2012

Timothy Janowiak.....Fire (21 yrs 0 mos dedicated service)
 Rudy Jimenez.....Fire (26 yrs 8 mos dedicated service)
 Alfred “Buddy” Kirsits.....Fire (32 yrs 6 mos dedicated service)
 Donald Pinckert.....Police (45 yrs 8 mos dedicated service)
 Richard Powers.....Police (22 yrs 8 mos dedicated service)
 Gary Reynolds.....Police (33 yrs 8 mos dedicated service)
 Steven Richmond.....Police (28 yrs 3 mos dedicated service)



For more information on the following events contact:

CENTURY CENTER	9711
COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME	5715
S.B. REGIONAL MUSEUM OF ART	9102
MORRIS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER	9190
PARKS/RECREATION DEPARTMENT	299-4765
NOTRE DAME	631-5031
ST. PATRICK'S COUNTY PARK	288-3472
NO. INDIANA CENTER FOR HISTORY	235-9664
ST. JOE COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS	291-4870

Century Center

- 8/5,12,19,26 New Life Deliverance Center – Church Service
10am
- 8/9 MLO Entertainment Presents Two Chainz
- 8/13 The Acting Ensemble Stage Works
- 8/24 The Divine 9 on The Island
- 8/24 Zamora Entertainment Show & Dance
- 9/2, 9,16, 23,30 New Life Deliverance Center – Church Service
10am
- 9/1 WSMK Radio Listener Appreciation
- 9/10 The Acting Ensemble Stage Works
- 9/12 Chamber of Commerce Business Expo
- 9/20-23 The Acting Ensemble presents The Chamber Plays
- 9/28 Annual MS Luncheon
- 9/29 Jr. League Thrift Shop

The Morris Performing Arts Center

- 8/10 Junior and the Igniters at Fridays by the Fountain
(Blues)
- 8/24 Jetta and the Jellybeans at Fridays by the Fountain
(Children & Family)
- 8/31 Indiana Univ. Raclin School of the Arts at Fridays by
Fountain (Variety)
- 9/16 Ron White “Moral Compass” Tour (for mature audi-
ences) (Comedy)
- 9/29 Peter Boyer Ellis Island, The Dream of America - Sym-
phony
- 10/17 Fresh Beat Band - Children’s Music
- 10/27 The General starring Buster Keaton - Symphony
- 10/30 Chris Tomlin “And If Our God Is For Us” Tour - Chris-
tian Music

East Race/Seitz Park 2012 Concert Series

Sundays, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

- 8/5 Fooled Again
- 8/12 Everyday People
- 8/19 Soul Function
- 8/26 Whistle Pigs

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Century Center.....	Priscilla Phillips.....	9081
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Code Enforcement	Deborah Mobley	9325
Common Council	Valarie Schey	5981
Communications	Debra Johnson.....	5853
Comm and Econ Dev	Jenny Hullinger.....	5832
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Central Services	Mary Wisniewski	9316
Fire Department		9255
Football Hall of Fame	David Saba	5717
Howard Pk Sr Citizens.....	Rose Kaufman.....	9428
Human Rights	Nancy O'Brien	9425
Legal Department.....	Pam Paluszewski.....	5865
Mayor's Office	Shay Davis	5850
Morris Perf. Arts Center.....	Karen King.....	5584
Park Department	Paula Garis	299-4778
Police Department.....	Barb Holleman	9311
Potawatomi Zoo	Pat Fenters.....	9800
Street Department	Ashley Rzepka	7563
Studebaker Nat'l Museum		9714
Water Works.....	Laura Vance	5650
Water Works.....	Jodie Spradlin.....	5663

If you have anything you would like to put into the paper, either contact your reporter (above), or you can fax it (235-9171) or send a typed or neatly printed copy to **Marcia Qualls (Engineering) or Mary Beth Wisniewski (City Clerk)** Please do not send anything without a name and phone number in case we have questions.

Potawatomi Park Chris Wilson Pavilion

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

- 8/4 Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival's Young Company:
A Midsummer Night's Dream
- 8/5 Truth in Jazz
- 8/11 Southold Dance Theater
- 8/12 The Summer Quartet
- 8/18 New West Guitar Group performs jazz
- 8/19 The Pat Heiden Quartet
- 8/25 South Bend Symphony's grand finale
- 8/26 Michiana Concert Band

South Bend Civic Theater

- 8/1-12 Into the Woods
- 9/7-23 Steel Magnolias
- 9/28-30 The Violet Hour

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